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PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

Parks and Recreation Department

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City of Durham Hosts Construction Project Kickoff

West Ellerbee Creek Trail Project, Phase II Underway

Who: General Services Department

Durham Parks and Recreation

What: Construction Project Kickoff Celebration for West Ellerbee Creek Trail Project, Phase II

When: Thursday, June 1 from noon to 1:30 p.m.

Where: Westover Park, 1900 Maryland Avenue, Durham

Fast Facts:

- City officials and administrators along with Durham residents will gather to officially kick off the construction of the West Ellerbee Creek Trail Project, Phase II.
- This two-directional multi-use 10' wide greenway trail project will connect Phase I of the West Ellerbee Creek Trail that terminates at Westover Park near Guess Road to the North/South Greenway on Stadium Drive.
- The new one mile extension will follow West Ellerbee Creek and connect residents and visitors to Westover Park, shopping on North Pointe Drive, residential communities, and Durham's existing trail network.
- Construction will affect a portion of Westover Park where the trail is being constructed. Traffic
 on Guess Road and North Point Drive will also be affected as trucks and construction
 equipment enter and leave trail access points. Please be mindful of any area under
 construction.

- Construction will take at least 9 months weather permitting and the trail is scheduled to open to the public in early 2018.
- The project is funded by the City of Durham and federal grants administered through the NC Department of Transportation.
- The following organizations will be on hand at the Kick Off Celebration to support the project and share information about their programs:
 - o Keep Durham Beautiful
 - o Ellerbee Creek Watershed Association
 - o Durham Open Space and Trail Commission
 - o Durham Parks Foundation
 - o Durham Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Commission

For information, visit the <u>website</u> or contact Senior Construction Project Manager <u>Jessica Kemp</u> by email or call at 919-560-4197, ext. 21234.

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